



BIG SANDY NEWS.

Sunshine
and
Scott's
Emulsion
are the
Two Great
Creators of
Energy

Aut inveniam viam, aut faciam.

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SUICIDE.

Miss Angie Trusty Takes Her Own Life.

The Tragedy Occurred on the Road Between Louisa and Blaine Thursday Morning.

Miss Angie Trusty, daughter of John Trusty, of the Keaton fork of Blaine, killed herself on the public road near Blaine on Thursday morning of this week. Her body was found by the roadside on top of the hill just this side of the town of Blaine. An empty bottle that had contained carbolic acid was at her side. Also, a note in said to have been found with the bottle.

She had been staying with the family of C. B. Crutcher in Louisa for a short time, but left Wednesday for the home of her parents on the head of Blaine, just across the line into Johnson county. She was making the trip with Bailey and LeMaster's wagon, which had been to Louisa with country produce and were returning to the upper Blaine country. The Blaine hill is quite steep and the girl got off and walked up the hill ahead of the wagon and alone. When the wagon reached the summit the drivers were surprised and shocked to find the lifeless form of the girl who had been out of their sight only such a brief time. The deadly poison had done its work quickly. This was about nine o'clock yesterday morning.

The motive of the suicide is not known. It is presumed the poor girl was despondent over the hard lot that seemed to be hers in life, and decided that death would be a relief.

Over 100 Years Old.

only on rare occasions that a newspaper man is called upon who has lived more than one hundred years, but such is the case in the subject of this sketch. Mrs. Ann Maria Nicholson, who died at her home on East Winchester avenue in Ashland.

Mrs. Nicholson was a very remarkable woman in many ways. Think what it means—a span of one hundred years, yet Mrs. Nicholson had exceeded this limit by three months and twenty-seven days. She was a very bright woman, an interesting conversationalist, and was up until a few hours of her death, possessed of all her faculties. She was quite spry and able to get around the house until a few days before her death, when she was taken with a heavy cold which settled in her lungs, and developed into pneumonia. This, owing to her great age and frail constitution, she was unable to throw off and she rapidly sank until death relieved her of her sufferings, and she passed to the great beyond to be with friends and relatives who had gone before.

Mrs. Nicholson's age was 100 years, 3 months and 27 days, and she was the oldest resident of Boyd county. She was a disciple of the great Alexander Campbell and was baptized by him.

RETURNED MISSIONARY HERE.

People of Louisa may congratulate themselves upon having in their midst Mrs. Josephine Campbell, who for many years was a missionary in Korea, and has charge of the school wherein is placed the Kentucky Scholarship. This could be the means of great interest in Mrs. Campbell's visit to the extent that your people will welcome her here Sunday evening at the M. E. church, South. Mrs. Campbell is returning on the Western Virginia conference and Louisa is glad to have secured her for a visit to all, come.

Free of charge, of Charleston, was in this city last week.

LAWRENCE COUNTY'S VOTE.

The official count of Lawrence county's vote was completed last Saturday and showed 62 majority for O'Rear and 106 for McClure. The sheriff was called away before the certificates were ready to sign and an adjournment was taken until the 15th. At that time the Board was served with a notice to examine the officers of Dobbins precinct to certify as to whether or not certain questioned ballots were counted. A meeting to consider this action has been appointed for the 18th.

The count in Boyd county has not been completed and the legislative race between McClure and Wade is therefore as yet unsettled. Both sides are claiming it. The result will, it seems, show not more than half a dozen votes difference.

THE REVIVAL CONTINUES.

The series of meetings which began at the Christian Church over two weeks ago continues with daily increasing interest. Up to now there have been thirty-six additions to the church. The afternoon meetings are held in the church, and at night the Court House is filled. The evangelists, Mr. Shaw and Mr. Sommers, who are conducting the services, are both strong men and are listened to with much attention. The meetings will hold over Sunday.

JAG PRODUCER.

Under the caption New Jag Producer, a recent telegram from Washington tells of the glorious drunks produced in "dry" towns by lemon extract. The writer of the telegram never lived in up river towns on the Big Sandy, or he would have not used the word "new" in connection with lemon extract as a jag producer.

THE SMITHS.

First Number of the Lecture Course Was a Fine Entertainment.

If the splendid dish which was set before a fine audience at the Masonic Hall last Friday evening is any example of the banquet prepared for us during the winter months, we are indeed fortunate. The Marguerite Smith Company is the name of a trio of entertainers, each of whom is an artist in her line. Miss Marguerite Smith is an impersonator of children. Nothing half so good as she is in this line ever before presented herself to a Louisa audience, and we much doubt if she has a superior in this role anywhere. In manner, action, facial and tonal expression, in fact in every single particular in child impersonation, she is complete.

Miss Olive Smith, the singer of the company, is a most agreeable contralto, a genuine contralto. Her tones are rich and sweet, and her voice is handled with a skill and sureness delightful to hear. Some of her selections might have been a little too classical for some, but the way in which they were sung, and the encore responses in lighter vein were so delightful that all who heard her were greatly pleased.

Miss Edith Rhett is the pianist of the company, and she is master of the much abused but grand old instrument, the piano. From the opening Preliminary to the closing number, the famous sextette from "Lucia" for left hand only, Miss Rhett won the hearty applause of her hearers. Wasn't that left hand playing a wonderful exhibition of skill? She plays with much ease, is entirely devoid of mannerisms, and is in a word, a very fine pianist. There were over a dozen numbers on the programme and each won an encore, some of them two and three. Our people would gladly hear the Smith Company again.

Mr. John Hackworth was attacked by cerebral hemorrhage early last Tuesday morning and is still suffering from its results. His speech is much affected and one side of his face is paralyzed. Mr. Hackworth has a room at the Savoy hotel and is being well cared for.

HEALTH EXHIBIT.

Interesting Railroad Car Pays Louisa a Visit.

Prevention of Tuberculosis is the Object of this Very Important Educational Work.

The attention of the civilized world is being directed to the fact that the prevention of tuberculosis is absolutely certain and that its cure in its early stage is possible. When the term tuberculosis is used in this article reference is made to consumption, the Great White Plague, a disease to which 200,000 people fall victims annually in the United States. No wonder, then, that the people in this country are giving the subject of tuberculosis their profound attention. Civic authorities, legislatures, boards of health and school boards are all the people as individuals are exposed to its dangers and its possible cure, and large sums of money are expended to a study of the dread disease and to the means used for its prevention and its cure.

There is a society in this State known as the Kentucky Association for the Prevention and Study of Tuberculosis. This society has had a large railway coach fitted up as an exhibition car in which to show by means of charts, pictures, mechanical appliances and miniature sleeping rooms what consumption of the lungs really is, how it may be prevented and how those who have the awful plague in its first stage should be treated so as to insure its permanent cure. This car is in charge of Mr. Eugene Kerner, Secretary of the Society for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, arrived in Louisa Tuesday morning and remained until the next day. The interior of this car was so arranged that it made a most interesting and useful object lesson in the study of disease of the lungs. During the day the car was visited by health officer Bromley and other physicians and many of our citizens, including several ladies. It was suggested that the exhibit might be the means of impressing the children of the public schools with the importance of fresh air, cleanliness and hygienic living. So Mr. J. B. McClure, the superintendent of the public school department of the K. N. C., was told of it and under his supervision the entire school, in squads of about 20 or so, was taken through the car and the exhibit in all its details was explained to the pupils by Mr. Kerner. At night at the close of the religious services in the Court House Mr. Kerner gave a very interesting lecture on the subject of tuberculosis. He spoke very clearly and in a way which the least informed person in his audience could understand. In his talk he was much aided by a stereopticon. The building was packed with people who, if they will but heed the advice given them on this occasion, will probably lengthen their days.

UNION EVANGELISTIC MEETING.

The Rev. Roscoe Murray has been engaged to conduct a series of meetings at the Baptist Church in this city beginning December 7th. All persons regardless of denominational affiliation are not only invited but expected to join in to make this a great harvest of souls. Ray, Murray needs no introduction to our people, being one of us. All will look forward with anxiety to this opportunity of hearing him. His labors have always been crowned with success. It now remains only for the Christians of Louisa to get in line and look forward to a great meeting.

ACQUITTAL AFFIRMED.

William Roberts, of Floyd county, indicted for alleged selling of his vote at an election, was acquitted through the ruling of the Appellate Court in the case of the Commonwealth against Roberts. The lower Court was upheld.

CEREDO MEETING CLOSED.

The revival at the Ceredo Baptist Church closed last Wednesday evening. About one hundred and fifty people were converted during these meetings, seventy of whom united with the Baptist church while the remaining eighty stated they would join other churches at an early date. Rev. Roscoe Murray, who assisted Rev. Akers, in the services, made many friends during his short sojourn in Ceredo, all of whom were sorry to see him leave. The sum of \$30.94 was contributed to the evangelist. At the close of Wednesday evening's service seven persons were baptized in the pool.—Advance.

MRS. CALEB ARTHUR DEAD.

Mrs. Caleb Arthur, formerly of this city, died at Vessie, this county, Sunday after a long illness caused by tuberculosis, aged 42 years. She was buried on Tuesday. She was formerly Miss Nellie Riffe, a daughter of Uncle Billie Riffe. A husband and several children survive her.

Mrs. Lockwood, of Fort Gay, and Mrs. W. M. Byington, sisters of the deceased, and Mr. and Miss Huletto, relatives, went to Vessie Monday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Arthur. The funeral services were conducted by Mr. Huletto.

CHANGE OF NURSES.

Miss Effie Jobe, for three years the capable head nurse at River-view hospital, has resigned and will take private nursing. She is well equipped for her responsible work. Miss Jobe's place has been filled by Miss Maud Clawges, of Ironton. Miss Clawges is a highly trained nurse of much experience and has already shown that she is entirely qualified for her position.

OIL NEWS.

Activity in the Local Field Continues Unabated.

Since our last issue two wells have been drilled in near Louisa. They were the Bays and the Prince wells. Both had a show of oil and some good "sand." The Bays well will be shot about the first of next week. We are not advised as to the proposed action on the Prince well.

The Ghyen company has not yet shot its well. The Square Deal well is now over 500 feet and will be completed about Dec. 1st.

The Chris Lawrence well on the O'Neal farm is over 700 feet deep and the drilling is progressing rapidly.

The derrick foundation for the Reuben Fork company is completed and the derrick will be built without delay.

We have heard of some new propositions which will probably be closed for development purposes right away, but are not authorized to mention any details. There seems to be no let-up in the determination to develop the field.

The Busseyville or O'Neal well No. 1 is flowing steadily.

M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.

Sunday school at 9 a. m.
The superintendent, pastor and teachers are anxious to see a large turnout Sunday morning.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. Theme, Purchasing Power of a Redeemed Soul.
Preaching at 6:30 p. m. Theme, Old Time Religion.
Prayer service Wednesday at 6:30 p. m.
You are cordially invited to all of these services. Remember the Prayer Meeting. It is the cooling station of the Church.
J. W. CRITES, Pastor

BIG FIRE IN WEST LIBERTY.

By a fire which broke out in West Liberty on the night of November 6 the large general store of Day and Davis, general store of Dorgan, Keaton, grocery store of Henry Cole, barber shop, Carter building and Methodist Church were all destroyed.

OUR COAL FIELDS.

Manufacturers Record Has More to Say

On This Subject of Greatest Interest to the People of This Section.

A recent number of the Manufacturer's Record contained the following interesting paper on the coal fields of this region and the railroads, present and prospective, leading to them:

Among the big industrial developments now going forward in the country there is no single one, perhaps, of greater general importance than the ten-million-dollar enterprise of the Consolidation Coal Co. in Pike, Floyd, Knott and Letcher counties, Kentucky. And this not only because of the gigantic proportions of the enterprise itself, but as well because of the tremendous influence it is likely to exert over other developments. The Consolidation Company, as repeatedly stated in the Manufacturer's Record, has acquired in the four counties named 100,000 acres of coal land, lying in a solid block and running from near the Big Sandy line of the Chesapeake and Ohio at Shelby some 30 or 35 miles in a southerly direction to a point not far from the waters of the Kentucky River, where the new town of Jenkins is being built.

This is said by experts to be one of the finest bodies of coal land to be found anywhere in the country. The coal, which lies in seams of from five to seven feet in thickness generally, increasing to nine feet in places, is peculiarly adapted to the making of coke, both on account of the high quality of the coke itself and the richness of the by-products. The coke has been found by actual test to be of higher quality for ironmaking than the famous cokes of the Connellsville field, because of being even lower in sulphur. It is claimed for it that this freedom from sulphur gives it a value of from 40 to 50 cents more per ton than Connellsville coke, because of the saving in cost of materials used to compensate the sulphur when they are used. The coal is also declared to be of greater value when coked in by-product ovens, because of the large quantity of gas and other by-products secured in the manufacture of coke.

These things, as stated above, have been demonstrated by actual test, to which is added this further assurance: When the Consolidation Coal Co. passed by so many other coal fields, thrown at its head, so to speak, by owners anxious to sell, and drove down its stakes and began to spend its money on this tract, it was because of some superiority for the men in control of the practical end of that great corporation are peers of the best in the business, no matter where else they may be found. The Watsons have been raised in the coal business—in all parts of the business, from the mine to the consumer—and their unsurpassed success in its production and disposal proves their right to primacy. They know the coal business "from the ground up," as it were, so that when it is announced that the coal in this new field of their endeavor possesses the virtues claimed for it people are inclined to believe the assertion without waiting for further demonstration.

The Consolidation company is, therefore, at work on the first stages of development of this great body of coal. Hundreds of men are at work building a railroad from the mouth of Shelby, where the Chesapeake & Ohio runs, to Jenkins to which point the Louisville & Nashville is hurrying up its line from Jackson, a hundred miles away in Breathitt county. The 30 miles being built by the Consolidation will run through its land the long way, and will be turned over to the Baltimore & Ohio for operation. The Baltimore and Ohio, of course, has no line extending to

this region, but—well, that comes further along in the story. This 30 miles will be completed by February, and for the purpose of having something for it to do as soon as completed, the company has further hundreds of men at work opening up mines and building tipples and erecting a great central power plant, so that it will be ready to begin loading coal as soon as the railroad is ready to receive and move it.

The operating plant will, it is said, be the biggest coal plant in the world, and will furnish the electric haulage and all the other power needed in a number of mines designed for a combined output of 4,000,000 tons a year, or about 16,000 tons for each working day, the average being placed at 250 working days per year. This will take something like two miles of 50-ton cars a day to move—two miles of empty cars running into the field and two miles of loaded cars running out each day to carry the output of one concern may be said to indicate "quite some" activity.

The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad will unquestionably build a line in to this coal field, the only open question at this time being as to which one of two routes will be chosen, and whether the extension will be made by the Baltimore & Ohio proper or the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton, which belongs to the Baltimore and Ohio. The Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton now runs into Ironton, O., a few miles down the river from the mouth of the Big Sandy, and the Baltimore and Ohio has another line coming in a few miles farther down. There are two ways, either one of which is easy of adoption, and the advocates of each are armed with many cogent reasons for its choice. One is to cross the Ohio River at Ironton and build up the Big Sandy to a con-

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BIG SANDY SORGHUM.

Courier-Journal Gives it a Big Editorial Boost.

The Cotton Belt railroad is sending an agricultural exhibit car over Eastern Kentucky to advertise the products of Missouri, Louisiana, Texas and other states reached by its lines. The car was at Louisa a few days ago and an enterprising citizen of the Big Sandy region enlarged its collection by donating a fine specimen of Kentucky sorghum and a bottle of oil from a recently developed well in the Lawrence county oil region.

If these products are to be exhibited for what they really are no one has any grounds for protest, but if they are to masquerade as the productions of other States the entire Commonwealth of Kentucky has a kick coming. It may be that Kentucky oil does not differ materially in quality from that which is exuded from the gushers of Louisiana and Texas, but it is an incontrovertible proposition that Kentucky sorghum, far and away ahead of any other sort of molasses that is produced anywhere in the universe. There are syrups and molasses galore, and no doubt Missouri, Louisiana and Texas may boast some pretty good brands—possibly along with them a passably fair article of sorghum. The fact remains that they have nothing that equals, or in any way, approaches, the juice of the Kentucky sorghum cane when it is compressed in the old-fashioned molasses mill, boiled in the time-tried pans and kettles to the proper consistency and barrelled up in all its golden glory for human consumption. Kentucky sorghum is sui generis and no plain ultra—that is to say, there is nothing else in the world like it and there never will be anything in the syrup line more than half so good.

It is to be hoped the Cotton Belt folks will "tote fair" with this inimitable and inimitable specimen of Lawrence county ambrosia. It is better than the nectar of high Olympus or the golden apples of Hesperides, and it ought to be the brand "made in Kentucky" that some of the big brands of other States' real sorghum look